

CHAPTER 18  
ELECTION EXPENSES OF CANDIDATES  
S. F. 29

AN ACT to amend, revise, and codify chapter eleven (11) of title four (4) of the compiled code of Iowa and of the supplement to said code, relating to the making of statements of expenses by candidates for office.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That chapter eleven (11) of title four (4) of the compiled Code of Iowa and of the supplement to said Code is amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

Section 1. Statement of election expenses. Every candidate for any office voted for at any primary, municipal or general election shall, within thirty (30) days after the holding of such election, file a true, detailed and sworn statement showing all sums of money or other things of value disbursed, expended or promised, directly or indirectly, by him, and to the best of his knowledge and belief by any other person or persons in his behalf for the purpose of aiding or securing his nomination or election.

Sec. 2. Requirement of statement. Such statement shall show the dates, amounts, and from whom such sums of money or other things of value were received, and the dates, amounts, purposes, and to whom paid or disbursed, and shall include the assessment of any person, or organization in charge of the campaign of such candidate.

Sec. 3. Filing of statement. Such statement shall be filed:

1. With the county auditor, in case of municipal or county offices.
2. With the secretary of state, in case of state or federal offices.

Sec. 4. Sworn statements by party chairmen. The chairmen of each party central committee for the state, district, or county, shall file a true, detailed, and sworn statement of receipts and expenditures within thirty (30) days after the general election. The chairmen of state and district central committees shall file said statements with the secretary of state; and the chairmen of county central committees, with the county auditor. Such statements shall contain all the information required to be filed by candidates, and in addition thereto shall state the amounts or balances remaining on hand.

Sec. 5. Additional statements. If after the filing of any of the foregoing statements said candidate or chairman shall, directly or indirectly, receive any money or other thing of value contributed, expressly or tacitly, for the purpose of reimbursing or aiding said candidate in his nomination or election, or for the purpose of defraying the expense of said committee, said candidate, or chairman, as the case may be, shall within thirty days after the receipt of such contribution or gift file a like sworn statement.

Sec. 6. Statements open to public inspection. Said statements shall be open at all times to the inspection of the public, and remain on file and be a part of the permanent records in the office where filed.

Sec. 7. Limitation on expenses of candidate. It shall be unlawful for any candidate to expend in connection with any primary election campaign more than fifty per centum of the annual salary applicable to the position for which he is a candidate and unlawful for him to expend in connection with his campaign for election to any office more than fifty per centum of the annual salary applicable to the position for which he is a candidate. It shall be unlawful for anyone who is a candidate for the office of State Representative or State Senator to expend in connection with any primary election campaign or general election campaign more than fifty per cent (50%) of the salary of a member at one regular session of the general assembly of Iowa.

Sec. 8. Penalty. The violation of any provision of this chapter shall constitute a misdemeanor.

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CHAPTER 19  
CONTEST ON STATE OFFICERS  
H. F. 30

AN ACT to amend, revise, and codify sections five hundred sixty-nine (569), five hundred seventy-two (572) and five hundred seventy-three (573) of the compiled code of Iowa, relating to contesting elections of state officers.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

That section five hundred sixty-nine (569) of the compiled Code of Iowa is amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

Section 1. Contest court. The court for the trial of contested state offices, except that of governor and lieutenant governor, shall consist of three district judges, not interested, who shall be selected by the chief justice of the supreme court, except that when the chief justice is a party to the contest, the governor shall select said district judges.

That sections five hundred seventy-two (572) and five hundred seventy-three (573) of the compiled Code of Iowa are amended, revised, and codified to read as follows:

Sec. 2. Selection of court. Upon the filing of such statement, the chief justice of the supreme court, or governor, as the case may be, shall select the membership of the court to try such contest, and immediately certify such selection to the clerk of the supreme court. Vacancies shall also be filled by the chief justice, or governor, as the case may be.

Sec. 3. Notice of selection. The clerk of the supreme court, on receipt of such certificate, shall forthwith in writing notify the member of such court of contest of their selection.

Sec. 4. Organization of court. The members so selected for said contest court shall, in cases of contest over offices other than district judge, meet at the seat of government, within ten (10) days after said notification and qualify by taking the oath required in case of contest over the office of presidential elector, and proceed, at said place, with the discharge of their duties.

Sec. 5. Contest relative to office of district judge. In case of contests relative to the office of district judge, such selected members of said court shall meet, qualify, and transact the business of said court of contest at such place or places as they may designate, and in such case, after organizing, may select a clerk other than the one heretofore specified.